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Ronald J. Tenpas, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Illinois, announced today that on November 5, 2004, **WILLIAM E. MOUREY**, age 65, of Millstadt, Illinois, plead guilty to two counts in a Superseding Indictment that charged **MOUREY** and **DANIEL WAYNE STARK** with conspiracy and the possession and sale of stolen motor vehicles. The Superseding Indictment charged that the two conspired to possess and sell stolen motor vehicles in the state of Kentucky.

The co-defendant, **DANIEL WAYNE STARK's**, trial is set for November 30, 2004.

In a Factual Stipulation, **MOUREY** stated that he, acting with others, stole motor vehicles (primarily farm equipment) in Illinois and delivered them for sale in Kentucky. The total value of the vehicles stolen during the period of the conspiracy (2001-2003) was \$1,215,698.00. The charges carry a total maximum penalty of up to 15 years imprisonment, supervised release of up to 3 years and a fine of up to \$500,000. Sentencing is set for January 14, 2005 at 11:00 a.m.

The investigation was conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The case is being handled by Assistant United States Attorneys Stephen B. Clark and Michael J. Quinley.